



**NT-11001**

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**Third Year B. Com. (Non CBCS) Examination**

**February – 2017**

**Compulsory English : Paper - III**

Time : **3** Hours]

[Total Marks : **100**

- Instructions :** (1) Attempt all questions.  
(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

- 1** (a) “The story of ‘Pride and Prejudice’ entertains as well **12**  
as gives a message,” Discuss.

**OR**

Discuss the significance of the title “Pride and Prejudice” with illustrations.

**OR**

Write a detailed note on Jane Austen’s art of characterization.

- (b) Write short note on any one of the following : **8**  
(i) Darcy, the hero of the novel  
(ii) Elizabeth Bennet  
(iii) End of the novel.
- 2** (a) Write short answers for any two of the following : **10**  
(i) Why was Mrs. Bennet interested in their new neighbour at Netherfield Park ?  
(ii) What did Elizabeth find out about Mr. Darcy from his employee ?  
(iii) Who was Lady Catherine ? Why was Elizabeth annoyed with her ?  
(iv) Who settled the affair between Lydia and Mr. Wickham ? How ?

- (b) Explain any two of the following with their reference to context : **10**
- (i) The person of whom I speak is a gentleman and a stranger.
  - (ii) I had narrowly observed her during the two visits which I had lately made here, and I was convinced of her affection.
  - (iii) "She is tolerable; but not handsome enough to tempt me."
  - (iv) "This is shocking. He deserves to be publically disgraced.
- 3** (a) Attempt any one of the following : **10**
- (i) Draft a questionnaire leading to a survey of the saving and investing habit of people.
  - (ii) Draft a questionnaire leading to a survey of living conditions of Harijans in your town/village.
  - (iii) Draft a questionnaire leading to a survey of reading habits of college students.
- (b) Prepare a copy of an advertisement on any one of the following items. **10**
- (i) An advertisement for a newly introduced refrigerator.
  - (ii) An advertisement for a housing loan scheme.
  - (iii) An advertisement for a solar water heater system.
- 4** (a) (i) Prepare a press-report on the students' unrest at Sau. University for poor results in the faculty of commerce. **10**
- OR**
- (ii) Write a press-report on the convocation ceremony held at Saurashtra University in the presence of the chancellor (Governor of the state).

- (b) Reshape the following story adding some creative details and give it a suitable title (Max. 250 words). 10

There was a smart vendor of berries. He used to cheat people by his smart tricks. Once, a small boy bought some berries from the vendor. Considering him just a child, the vendor gave him berries less in weight. The boy asked, "Why are you giving me less ?" The vendor replied, "Lesser the berries, easier for you to carry. Now, give me the money." The boy dropped some coins into his hands and walked away. The vendor counted and found the money to be less. He shouted at the boy going away, "Hey boy, you're giving me less money." The boy replied, "Lesser the money easier to count, sir, isn't it ?" The vendor was speechless but unhappy.

- 5 (a) Translate the following passage into Gujarati. 5

Punctuality is the habit of doing things at the right time. A man who does everything in right time succeeds in life, but he who does not do so often fails. A punctual man is able to do more work than a man who lacks the habit of punctuality. He gets praise from all quarters. We can find many examples from history.

- (b) Translate the following passage into English : 5

એક આદર્શ શિક્ષક વિદ્યાર્થીઓનો મિત્ર અને માર્ગદર્શક હોય છે. તે તેના વિષયોનો નિષ્ણાત હોય છે. શીખવાની કળા અને શીખવવાની કળામાં તે પારંગત હોય છે. તે તેના પાઠને એકદમ રસપ્રદ બનાવે છે. વિદ્યાર્થીઓ તેમના વ્યાખ્યાનને માણે છે. તે વિદ્યાર્થીઓને જ્ઞાન પ્રાપ્ત કરવા પ્રોત્સાહિત કરે છે. તે તેઓ પાસેથી મૂંઝવતા પ્રશ્નોને આમંત્રે છે. તે ક્યારેય ગુસ્સે થતા નથી. તે તેના વર્ગમાં શિસ્ત જાળવે છે. તેનું ચારિત્ર્ય દાગ વગરનું હોય છે. તે જે ઉપદેશ આપે છે, એવું જ આચરણ કરે છે.

- (c) Read the following market report and answer the questions that follow : 10

Newswire – 18, 9 February

The senser retreated from a record high, as the country's inflation rate jumped to 6.58 per cent, higher than 6.48 per cent market estimate.

Investors booked profit due to lack of triggers amid concerns over stretched valuations, dealers said. Indices ignored strong Asian markets, which have risen today led by banks, as brokerages upgraded ratings on the sector.

The sensex ended at 14,538.90 down 113.19 points or 0.8 per cent, after touching a lifetime high of 14,723.88 early in the session. The nifty provisionally ended at 4,178.55 down 44.85 points on 1.1. per cent. Key indices lost further ground after wholesale price index inflation data were announced mid-day. The data surpassed the Reserve Bank of India's target of 5.0 – 5.5 per cent for 2006-07.

It is also the highest inflation since the week to December 11, 2004. Rating agency Fitch said in a release that it expected cement prices to start softing from the second half of 2007.

Comprehension questions :

- (i) Suggests a suitable title for the above report.
- (ii) To which factor the downward trend in the share market could be attributed ?
- (iii) Which factor was ignored by the Indian markets ?
- (iv) What was the forecast made by Fitch regarding cement prices ?
- (v) Explain the following terms :
  - (a) Sensex
  - (b) Profit Booking.